

APPLICATION OF THE NAME *KUHNTIA EUPATORIOIDES* VAR. *ANGUSTIFOLIA* (COMPOSITAE). — The monumental new *Flora of Missouri* by Julian A. Steyermark (1963) follows Fernald's 8th edition of *Gray's Manual* (1950) in reviving the name *Kuhntia eupatorioides* var. *angustifolia* Raf., New Fl. N. A. 1:79, 1836, but applies it more particularly to the plants described by me as *K. eupatorioides* var. *ozarkana* (Wrightia 1:136, 1946), that name being treated as a synonym. In my "Revision of the genus *Kuhntia* L." (Wrightia 1:122-144, 1946), var. *angustifolia* is given as a synonym of *K. eupatorioides* var. *pyramidalis* Raf., the name employed under then existing rules of nomenclature for what is now to be called var. *eupatorioides*. Because two authoritative works have, subsequent to the publication of my revision, adopted the name var. *angustifolia*, I feel obliged to point out that it is untenable.

In his rather extensive "Monograph of the genus *Kuhntia*" (New Fl. N. A. 1: 73-80, 1836), Rafinesque tells of having found *K. eupatorioides* "exactly as described by Linneus" on "Rocky banks of the R. Schuylkill near Philadelphia, in a single spot near the rail road bridge: 3 varieties." He then names the three varieties as *pyramidalis*, *corymbosa*, and *angustifolia*, adding: "These 2 last are probably the *Critonia* of Gaertner and others, yet they are perhaps nothing else but various ages of the plant? but since they have been mistaken for species, they must be properly noticed." He was, of course, describing what we should now designate as forms, not geographic varieties, all three of them growing, in his own words, "in a single spot," and that spot in the general area of the type locality for the species. Fernald, in assigning to var. *angustifolia* the range "Fla. to Tex. and Mo.," apparently excludes its own type locality. Steyermark, in applying the name to var. *ozarkana* Shinnars while quoting Fernald as to the range, compounds the error, for plants with the distinctive, long-attenuate, outer phyllaries of var. *ozarkana* do not occur in most of the stated area.

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